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Introduction to Xi-Text API

The **Xi-Text** API enables a C or C++ programmer to access **Xi-Text** facilities directly from within an application. The application may be on a Unix host or on a Windows workstation.

Communication takes place using a TCP connection between the API running on a Windows or Unix machine and the server process xtnetserv running on the Unix host in question. The same application may safely make several simultaneous conversations with the same or different host.

The user may submit, change, delete and alter the state of jobs or printers to which he or she has access, and may receive notification about changes which may require attention. In addition, the user access control parameters may be viewed and if permitted, changed.

Installation and access to API

The API is provided as two files, a header file xtapi.h and a library file.

The header file should be copied to a suitable location for ready access. On Unix systems we suggest that the header file is copied to the directory /usr/include/xi so that it may be included in C programs via the directive:

```
#include <xi/xtapi.h>
```

The library file is supplied in the form libxtapi.a or as a shared library libxtapi.so on Unix systems. This should be copied to /lib or /usr/lib so that it may be linked with the option -lxtapi when the program is compiled. On some systems you may have to include a socket handling library as well. The shared library is usually placed in /usr/lib/xi.

On Windows systems the library is supplied as xtapi.dll. Again we suggest that it be placed in the default search path.

The API file descriptor

Each routine in the API uses a file descriptor to identify the instance in progress. This is an integer value, and is returned by a successful call to the xt_open or one of the equivalent routines.

All other routines, apart from job string manipulation routines, take this value as a first parameter. As mentioned before, more than one session may be in progress at once with different xt_open parameters.

Each session with the API should be commenced with a call to xt_open or one of the variant routines and terminated with a call to xt_close.

3.1 Error return codes

Nearly all the routines return an integer response code. This is usually zero to indicate success (except for xt_open which returns a positive or zero file descriptor). The error codes are described below.

Those routines which return a pointer to a FILE structure return NULL on error and put the error code in xtapi dataerror.

Code	Name	Meaning
0	XTAPI_OK	No error, successful completion
-1	XTAPI_INVALID_FD	The file descriptor argument is invalid.
-2	XTAPI_NOMEM	Run out of memory allocation within API library.
-3	XTAPI_INVALID_HOSTNAME	Invalid host name in xt_open
-4	XTAPI_INVALID_SERVICE	Invalid service name in xt_open
-5	XTAPI_NODEFAULT_SERVICE	Default service relied upon no default API service set up
-6	XTAPI_NOSOCKET	Cannot create socket
-7	XTAPI_NOBIND	Cannot bind address to socket
-8	XTAPI_NOCONNECT	Connection refused by server
-9	XTAPI_BADREAD	Read error on socket
-10	XTAPI_BADWRITE	Write error on socket
-11	XTAPI_CHILDPROC	Cannot fork to make child process
-23	XTAPI_UNKNOWN_USER	User invoking API is unknown on server
-24	XTAPI_ZERO_CLASS	Class code is effectively zero
-25	XTAPI_BAD_PRIORITY	Invalid priority (outside permitted range)
-26	XTAPI_BAD_COPIES	Invalid number of copies (above limit)
-27	XTAPI_BAD_FORM	Invalid form type (user is restricted)
-28	XTAPI_NOMEM_QF	No memory for queue file on server
-29	XTAPI_BAD_PF	Cannot open page file
-30	XTAPI_NOMEM_PF	No memory for page file on server
-31	XTAPI_CC_PAGEFILE	Cannot create page file
	XTAPI_FILE_FULL	Server file system is full
	XTAPI_QFULL	Server message queue full
	XTAPI_EMPTYFILE	Job file is empty
-35	XTAPI_BAD_PTR	Invalid printer name (user restricted)
-36	XTAPI_WARN_LIMIT	Job exceeds limit, truncated
-37	XTAPI_PAST_LIMIT	Job exceeds limit, not queued
	XTAPI_NO_PASSWD	Password required and not given
	XTAPI_PASSWD_INVALID	Invalid password
	XTAPI_UNKNOWN_COMMAND	Unknown API operation (error in library)
	XTAPI_SEQUENCE	Sequence error, operation(s) since last read
	XTAPI_UNKNOWN_JOB	Job not found
	XTAPI_UNKNOWN_PTR	Printer not found
	XTAPI_NOPERM	No privilege for operation
	XTAPI_NOTPRINTED	Job has not been printed
	XTAPI_PTR_NOTRUNNING	Printer not running
	XTAPI_PTR_RUNNING	Printer is running
	XTAPI_PTR_NULL	Null printer name
	XTAPI_PTR_CDEV	No permission to change device
-50	XTAPI_INVALIDSLOT	Invalid slot number

Slot numbers

Each job or printer is identified to Xi-Text by means of two numbers:

- 1. The host or network identifier. This is a long corresponding to the internet address in network byte order. The host identifier is given the type netid_t.
- 2. The shared memory offset, or slot number. This is the offset in shared memory on the relevant host of the job or printer and stays constant during the lifetime of the job or printer. The type for this is slotno_t.

These two quantities uniquely identify any job or printer.

It might be worth noting that there are two slot numbers relating to a remote job or printer.

- 1. The slot number of the record of the job or printer held in local shared memory. This is the slot number which will in all cases be manipulated directly by the API.
- 2. The slot number of the job on the owning host. This is in fact available in the job structures as the field <code>apispq_rslot</code> and in the printer structure as the field <code>apispp_rslot</code>.

These fields usually have the same value as the slot number in local memory for local jobs or printers, but this should not be relied upon.

Sequence numbers

These quantities are not available directly, but are held to determine how out-of-date the user's record of jobs or printers may be.

Every time you read a job or printer record, the sequence number of the job or printer list is checked, and if out-of-date, you will receive the error XTAPI_SEQUENCE. This is not so much of an error as a warning. If you re-read the job or printer required, then you will not receive this error.

If you want to bypass this, you can access the job or printer without worrying about the sequence using the flag XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ, however you might receive an error about unknown job or printer if the job or printer has disappeared.

API Functions

The following sub-sections describe the **Xi-Text** API C routines including each function's purpose, syntax, parameters and possible return values.

The function descriptions also contain additional information that illustrate how the function can be used to carry out tasks.

In some cases there are slight differences between the Unix and Windows variants, these are noted where appropriate.

6.1 Sign-on and off

6.1.1 xt_open

```
int xt_open(const char *hostname,
         const char *servname,
          const classcode_t classcode)
int xt_open(const char *hostname,
          const char *servname,
          const char *username,
          const classcode_t classcode) /* Windows */
int xt_login(const char *hostname,
          const char *servname,
          const char *username,
          char *passwd,
          const classcode_t classcode)
int xt_wlogin(const char *hostname,
          const char *servname,
          const char *username,
          char *passwd,
          const classcode_t classcode)
int xt_locallogin(const char *servname,
```

The function xt_open is used to open a connection to the **Xi-Text** API. There are some variations in the semantics depending upon whether the caller is known to be a Unix host or a Windows or other client. This can be controlled by settings in the servers host file, typically /etc/Xitext-hosts and the user map file /etc/xi-user.map.

The server will know that the caller is a Unix host if it appears in the hosts file as a potential server, maybe with a manual keyword to denote that it shouldn't be connected unless requested (with spconn). In such cases user names will be taken as Unix user names.

In other cases the user names will be taken as Windows Client user names to be mapped appropriately.

Windows user names are mapped on the server to Unix user names using the user map file and constructs in the host file, with the latter taking priority.

Note that it is possible to use a different set of passwords on the server from the users' login passwords, setting them up with xipasswd. This is desirable in preference to people's login passwords appearing in various interface programs.

All of these functions return non-negative (possibly zero) on success, this should be quoted in all other calls.

In the event of an error, then a negative error code is returned as described on page ??.

xt_open may be used to open a connection with the current effective user id on Unix systems, or (using the extra username parameter a predefined connection for the given user on Windows systems.

No check takes place of passwords for Unix connections, but the call will only succeed on Windows systems if the client has a fixed user name assigned to it.

This happens if the client matches entries in /etc/Xitext-hosts of the forms:

```
mypc - client(unixuser)
unixuser winuser clienthost(mypc)
```

The call will succeed in the first instance if the user is mapped to unixuser and running on mypc.

In the second case it will succeed if it is running on mypc and winuser is given in the call, whereupon it will be mapped to unixuser.

This is over-complicated, potentially insecure, and preserved for compatibility only, and xt_open should only really be used on Unix hosts to log in with the effective user id.

xt_login should normally be used to open a connection to the API with a username and password. If the client is not registered as a Unix client, then the user name is mapped to a user name on the server as specified in the user map file or the hosts file. The password should be that for the user mapped to (possibly as set by xipasswd rather than the login password).

xt_wlogin is similar to xt_login, but guarantees that the user name will be looked up as if the caller were not registered as Unix client so that there are no surprises if this is changed.

xt_locallogin and xt_locallogin_byid may be used to set up an API connection on the same machine as the server without a password. The username, if not null, may be used to specify a user other than that of the effective user id. To use a user other than the effective user id, *Write Admin* permission is required.

In all cases, hostname is the name of the host being connected to or null to use the loopback interface. servname may be NULL to use a standard service name, otherwise an alternative service may be specified. Note that more than one connection can be open at any time with various combinations of user names and hosts.

All functions take a classcode which is "anded" with the calling user's classcode unless the user has override class permission. The resulting classcode must not be all zeroes, however an argument of zero will be replaced by the user's default classcode. This may be used to limit the list of jobs or printers reported by xt_joblist and xt_ptrlist.

When finished, close the conection with a call to xt_close.

6.1.1.1 Return values

The function returns a positive value if successful, which is the file descriptor used in various other calls, otherwise one of the error codes listed on page ?? onwards, all of which are negative.

6.1.1.2 Example

6.1.2 xt_close

```
int xt_close(const int fd)
```

The xt_close function is used to close a connection to **Xi-Text**. Fd is a file descriptor previously returned by a successful call to xt_open or variant routines.

xt_close returns 0 if successful or XTAPI_INVALID_FD (Invalid File descriptor, a constant defined in xtapi.h) if the passed file descriptor was not valid, perhaps because it was never opened successfully.

6.2 Job operations

6.2.1 xt_joblist

The xt_joblist function is used to obtain a list of jobs.

Fd is a file descriptor previously returned by a successful call to xt_open or the parallel routines to open a connection.

Flags is zero, or a bitwise OR of one or more of the following values

```
XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY Ignore remote printers/hosts, i.e. not local to the server, not the client.

XTAPI_FLAG_USERONLY Ignore other users jobs
```

Numjobs is a pointer to an integer value which, on successful completion, will contain the number of job slots returned.

Slots is a pointer to to an array of slot numbers. These slot numbers can be used to access individual jobs. The memory used by this vector is owned by the API, therefore no attempt should be made by the user to free it. This contrasts, for example, with X library routines. Also note that certain other calls to the API, notably xt_ptrlist, with the same value of fd, may reuse the space, so the contents should be copied if required before other API calls are made.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to list all jobs:

6.2.2 xt_jobread

The xt jobread function is used to retrieve the details of a job from a given slot number.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or a bitwise OR of one or more of the following values

XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY lgnore remote printers/hosts, (from the point of view of the server, not the client).

XTAPI_FLAG_USERONLY Ignore other users jobs

XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ Ignore changes since the list was last read

 ${\tt slot}$ is the slot number corresponding to the job as returned by ${\tt xt_joblist}$ or ${\tt xt_joblist}$ or ${\tt xt_joblist}$ or ${\tt xt_joblist}$.

Jobd is a descriptor, which on return will contain the details of the job in a struct apispq as defined in xtapi.h and containing the following elements:

Туре	Field	Description
jobno_t	apispq_job	Job number
netid_t	apispq_netid	Host address (network byte order)
netid_t	apispq_orighost	Originating host address
slotno_t	apispq_rslot	Slot number on owning machine
time_t	apispq_time	Time job was submitted
time_t	apispq_starttime	Time job was started (if applicable)
time_t	apispq_hold	Time job held to, 0 if not held
unsigned short	apispq_nptimeout	Time after to delete job if not printed (hours)
unsigned short	apispq_ptimeout	Time after to delete job if printed (hours)
unsigned short	apispq_extrn	External job type index
unsigned short	apispq_pglim	Job size limit applies
long	apispq_size	Size of job in bytes
long	apispq_posn	Offset reached if currently being printed
long	apispq_pagec	Currently-reached page if being printed
char[]	apispq_uname	User name of job owner
char[]	apispq_puname	User name of posting user
unsigned char	apispq_cps	Copies
unsigned char	apispq_pri	Priority
classcode_t	apispq_class	Class code bits 1=A 2=B 4=C etc
unsigned short	apispq_jflags	Job flags
unsigned char	apispq_dflags	Despooler flags
slotno_t	apispq_pslot	Printer slot assigned to if printing
unsigned long	apispq_start	Start page 0=first page
unsigned long	apispq_end	End page
unsigned long	apispq_npages	Number of pages
unsigned long	apispq_haltat	"Halted at" page
char []	apispq_file	Job title
char []	apispq_form	Job form type
char []	apispq_ptr	Printer pattern assigned to job
char []	apispq_flags	Post-processing flags

The following bits are set in the ${\tt apispq_jflags}$ field to indicate job parameters:

Bit (#define)	Meaning
APISPQ_NOH	Suppress header
APISPQ_WRT	Write result
APISPQ_MAIL	Mail result
APISPQ_RETN	Retain on queue after printing
APISPQ_ODDP	Suppress odd pages
APISPQ_EVENP	Suppress even pages
APISPQ_REVOE	Invert ${\tt APISPQ_ODDP}$ and ${\tt API_EVENP}$ after printing
APISPQ_MATTN	Mail attention
APISPQ_WATTN	Write attention
APISPQ_LOCALONLY	Handle job on local machine only
APISPQ_CLIENTJOB	Job originated with windows client
APISPQ_ROAMUSER	Job originated with DHCP windows client

The apispq_dflags field contains the following bits:

Bit (#define)	Description
APISPQ_PQ	Job being printed
APISPQ_PRINTED	Job has been printed
APISPQ_STARTED	Job has been started
APISPQ_PAGEFILE	Job has a page file
APISPQ_ERRLIMIT	Error if size limit exceeded
APISPQ_PGLIMIT	Size limit in pages not KB

Note that the field $apispq_pglim$ and the field bits $APISPQ_ERRLIMIT$ and $APISPQ_PGLIMIT$ will always be zero when read, but the description is included for completeness. The fields are only used when creating jobs.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to read the names of all jobs

```
int fd, ret, nj, i;
struct apispq job;
slotno_t *slots;

fd = xt_open("myhost", (char *)0, 0);
if (fd < 0) { /* error handling */
    ...
}

ret = xt_joblist(fd, 0, &nj, &slots);
if (ret < 0) { /* error handling */
    ...
}

for (i = 0; i < nj, i++) {</pre>
```

6.2.3 xt_jobfind

The xt_jobfind and xt_jobfindslot functions may be used to find a job from a given job number rather than by the slot number. xt_jobfind retrieves the job descriptor, xt_jobfindslot just retrieves the slot number.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or a bitwise OR of one or more of the following values

XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY Ignore remote printers/hosts, (from the point of view of the server, not the client). XTAPI_FLAG_USERONLY Ignore other users jobs

jobnum is the job number to be searched for.

 \mathtt{nid} is the network-byte order IP address of the host of the machine whose job is to be searched for. This should be correct even if $\mathtt{XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY}$ is specified.

slot is a pointer to a location in which the slot number of the job is placed if the search is successful. It may be NULL if this is not required (but this would be almost pointless for xt_jobfindslot).

jobd is a descriptor containing the job descriptor as defined in xtapi.h.

The fields in struct apispq are defined in the xt_jobread documentation on page 14.

The functions return 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

6.2.4 xt jobdata(Unix and Linux)

```
const slotno_t slotno)
```

The function xt_jobdata is used to retrieve the job file of a job.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ to ignore changes since the job list was last read.

slotno is the slot number corresponding to the job previously returned by functions such as $xt_joblist$ or $xt_joblindslot$.

The result is a FILE pointer which can be used with all standard I/O input functions such as fgets(3), getc(3) etc. At the end of the data fclose(3) must be called. For reasons of synchronisation the file should be read to the end before other operations are attempted.

If an error is detected, $xt_jobdata$ returns NULL and an error code is placed in the external variable $xtapi_dataerror$. This will be one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to retrieve the data for a job:

6.2.5 xt_jobdata (Windows version)

This format of the xt_jobdata function is for use by Windows programs, as there is no acceptable equivalent of the pipe(2) construct.

The second argument outfile is (possibly) a file handle to the file to which the job data is passed as the first argument to func.

The third argument func is a function with the same specifications as write, indeed it may very well be write. The main reason for doing it this way is that some versions of Windows do strange things if write is invoked from within a DLL.

Other aspects of the interface are similar to the Unix routine, apart from the routine returning zero for success and an error code for failure rather than a FILE* or NULL. For consistency with the Unix version, the external variable <code>xtapi_dataerror</code> is also assigned any error code returned. This will be one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

6.2.6 xt_jobpbrk(Unix and Linux versions)

The function xt_jobpbrk is used to retrieve the page break offset file of a job.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_{open} or the equivalent routines. Flags is zero, or $XTAPI_{FLAG_IGNORESEQ}$ to changes since the job list was last read.

slotno is the slot number corresponding to the job previously returned by functions such as $xt_joblist$ or $xt_joblist$ or.

The result is a FILE pointer which can be used with all standard I/O input functions such as fread(3), fgets(3), getc(3) etc. At the end of the data fclose(3) must be called. For reasons of synchronisation the file should be read to the end before other operations are attempted.

If an error is detected, xt_jobpbrk returns NULL and an error code is placed in the external variable xtapi_dataerror. This will be one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

If there is no page offset file, probably because the delimiter is set to formfeed, then this isn't really an error, but an error report of XTAPI_BAD_PF will be returned. You can tell whether there is a page file from the struct apispq job structure returned by xt_jobread or xt_jobfind. The field apispq_dflags has the bit designated by APISPQ_PAGEFILE set if there is a page file.

The data is returned in three parts.

- 1. struct apipages This is an instance of the following structure, defined in xtapi.h, and described below.
- 2. delimiter string This is the delimiter string itself,
- 3. A vector of longs giving the offsets of the start of each page, including the first page, which is always zero, within the job data (as read by xt_jobdata).

The struct apipages structure is as follows:

```
struct apipages {
    long delimnum;    /* Number of delimiters */
    long deliml;    /* Length of delimiter string */
    long lastpage;    /* Number of delimiters remaining on last page */
};
```

6.2.7 xt_jobpbrk(Windows version)

This second format of the xt_jobpbrk function is for use by Windows programs, as there is no acceptable equivalent of the pipe(2) construct.

The second argument outfile is (possibly) a file handle to the file from to which the job data is passed as the first argument to func.

The third argument func is a function with the same specifications as write, indeed it may very well be write. The main reason for doing it this way is that some versions of Windows do strange things if write is invoked from within a DLL.

Other aspects of the interface are similar to the Unix routine, apart from the routine returning zero for success and an error code for failure rather than a FILE* or NULL. For consistency with the Unix version, the external variable <code>xtapi_dataerror</code> is also assigned any error code returned.

6.2.8 xt_jobadd (Unix and Linux versions)

The functions xt jobadd and xt jobres are used to add a job under Unix and Linux.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned byxt open or the equivalent routines.

jobd is a pointer to a struct apispq, as defined in xtapi.h and on page 14 containing all the details of the job. The fields in struct apispq are defined in there.

Note that we recommend that the whole structure be cleared to zeroes initially and then required fields added; this approach will cover any future extensions with additional fields which will behave as at present if zero.

Also note that from release 23 an additional field is provided in the structure. If this is non-zero, then the size of the job is limited. If the bit $APISPQ_PGLIMIT$ in $apispq_dflags$ is zero, then the size is limited to the given number of kilobytes. If this bit is set, then the size is limited to the given number of pages. If a job exceeds the given limit, then its treatment depends upon the setting of the bit $APISPQ_ERRLIMIT$ in $apispq_dflags$. If this is zero, then the job is truncated to the given number of kilobytes or pages and still proceeds (although a warning code is returned by xt_jobres . If it is set, then it is rejected altogether.

delim is a pointer to a string containing the page delimiter string, or NULL if the user is content with the single formfeed character. deliml is the length of the delimiter string delim. This is necessary because delim is not necessarily null-terminated.

delimnum in the number of instances of the delimiter string/character to be counted to make up a page.

The result is either a standard I/O stream, which can be used as output for putc(3), fprintf(3), fwrite(3) etc, or NULL to indicate an error has been detected. The I/O stream connection should be closed, when complete, with fclose(3). Finally a call should be made to xt_jobres.

For reasons of synchronisation you must call xt_jobres immediately after fclose(3) even if you are not interested in the answer. Apart from that several calls to xt_jobadd may be in progress at once to submit several jobs simultaneously.

xt_jobres returns zero on successful completion (or XTAPI_WARN_LIMIT if the job was truncated but still submitted). The parameter jobno is assigned the job number of the job created. This value is also assigned to the field apispq_job in the passed structure jobd to xt_jobadd.

Note that you should not call xt_jobres if xt_jobadd returns NULL for error. Most errors are detected at the xt_jobadd stage and before any data is passed across, but this should not in general be relied upon.

An example to add a job called readme from standard input:

```
int fd, ret, ch;
struct apispq outj;
jobno_t jn;
FILE *f;
fd = xt_open("myhost", (char *) 0, 0);
if (fd < 0) { /* error handling */
/* It is safest to clear the structure first */
memset((void *) &outj, '\0', sizeof(outj));
/* set defaults */
outj.apispq_nptimeout = 24 * 7;
outj.apispq_ptimeout = 24;
outj.apispq_cps = 1;
outj.apispq_pri = 150;
/* The class code specified in xt_open is not used here. However the
   user's class code will be &ed with this unless the user has
  override class privilege. */
outj.apispq_class = 0xffffffff;
/* set a large page range to to ensure all pages are printed */
outj.apispq_end = 4000;
/* Only the form type is compulsory here. The others may
  be set to NULL */
```

```
strcpy(outj.apispq_file, "readme");
strcpy(outj.apispq_form, "a4");
strcpy(outj.apispq_ptr, "laser");
/* add the job with the default page delimiter */
f = xt_{jobadd}(fd, \&out_{j}, (char *) 0, 1, 1);
if (!f) { /* error handling error in xtapi_dataerror */
   . . .
/* now send the data */
while ((ch = getchar()) != EOF)
   putc(ch, f);
fclose(f);
ret = xt_jobres(fd, &jn);
if (ret < 0) { /* error handling */
} else
   printf("success the job number is %ld\n", jn);
xt_close(fd);
```

6.2.9 xt_jobadd (Windows version)

This second format of the xt_jobadd function is for use by Windows programs, as there is no acceptable equivalent of the pipe(2) construct.

The second argument infile is (possibly) a file handle to the file from which the job is created and is passed as the first argument to func.

The third argument func is a function with the same specifications as read, indeed it may very well be read. The main reason for doing it this way is that some versions of Windows do strange things if read is invoked from within a DLL.

Other aspects of the interface are similar to the Unix routine, apart from the routine returning zero for success and an error code for failure rather than a FILE* or NULL.

There is no xt_jobres in the windows version, the job number is placed in the field <code>apispq_job</code> in the passed structure <code>jobd</code> to xt_jobadd . For consistency with the Unix version, the external variable $xtapi_dataerror$ is also assigned any error code returned.

6.2.10 xt_jobdel

The xt_jobdel function is used to delete a job, aborting it if it is currently printing.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or the bitwise OR of one or both of the following:

```
XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ Ignore changes since the list was last read XTAPI_FLAG_FORCE Ignore "not printed" flag
```

Slot is the slot number corresponding to the job as previously returned by xt_joblist or xt_jobfindslot.

If the job has not been printed, and flags does not contain XTAPI_FLAG_FORCE, then the job will not be deleted, but the error XTAPI_NOT_PRINTED will be reported. You can tell whether the job has been printed from the struct apispq job structure returned by xt_jobread or xt_jobfind. The field apispq_dflags has the bit designated by APISPQ_PRINTED set if it has been printed.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to delete all jobs:

6.2.11 xt_jobupd

The xt_jobupd function is used to update the details of a job.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ to ignore changes since the list was last read.

slot is the slot number corresponding to the job as previously returned by xt_joblist or xt_joblindslot.

jobd is a descriptor containing the job descriptor as defined in xtapi.h.

The fields in struct apispq are defined in the xt_jobread documentation (see page 14).

Note that we recommend that the whole structure be first read in with xt_jobread or xt_jobfind and then required fields updated; this approach will cover any future extensions with additional fields.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to change the name of job readme.txt to myfile.

```
int fd, ret, nj, i;
struct apispq job;
slotno_t *slots;
fd = xt_open("myhost", (char *) 0, 0);
if (fd < 0) { /* error handling */
     . . .
/* make a list of jobs */
ret = xt joblist(fd, 0, &nj, &slots);
if (ret < 0) { /* error handling */
for (i = 0; i < nj; i++) {
     ret = xt_jobread(fd, 0, list[i], &job);
     if (ret < 0)
         continue;
     if (strcmp(job.apispq_file, "readme.txt"))
     strcpy(job.apispq_file, "myfile");
     ret = xt_jobupd(fd, 0, list[i], &job);
     if (ret < 0) { /* error handling */
     }
    break:
}
xt_close(fd);
```

6.2.12 xt_jobmon (Unix and Linux versions)

The xt_jobmon function is used to set the function fn to be called upon notification of any changes to the jobs list.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or equivalent routines.

fn is a function which must be declared as returning void and taking one const int argument. Alternatively, this may be NULL to cancel monitoring.

The function fn will be called upon each change to the job list. The argument passed will be fd. Note that any changes to the job queue are reported (including changes on other hosts whose details are passed through) as the API does not record which jobs the user is interested in.

The function xt_jobmon returns 0 if successful otherwise the error code $XTAPI_INVALID_FD$ if the file descriptor is invalid. Invalid fn parameters will not be detected and the application program will probably crash.

6.2.13 xt jobmon (Windows version)

The xt_setmon routine may be used to monitor changes to the job queue or printer list. Its parameters are as follows.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or equivalent routines.

hWnd is a windows handle to which messages should be sent.

wMsg is the message id to be passed to the window (WM_USER or a constant based on this is suggested).

To decode the message, the xt_procmon is provided. This returns XTWINAPI_JOBPROD to indicate a change or changes to the job queue and XTWINAPI_PTRPROD to indicate a change or changes to the printer list. If there are changes to both, two or more messages will be sent, each of which should be decoded via separate xt_procmon calls.

To cancel monitoring, invoke the routine

```
xt_unsetmon(const int fd)
```

If no monitoring is in progress, or the descriptor is invalid, this call is just ignored.

6.3 Printer operations

6.3.1 xt ptrlist

```
slotno_t **slots)
```

The xt_ptrlist function is used to obtain a list of printers.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is either zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY to request that only printers local to the server be listed.

numptrs is a pointer to an integer value which, on successful completion, will contain the number of printer slots returned.

slots is a pointer to to an array of slot numbers. These slot numbers can be used to access individual printers. The memory used by this vector is owned by the API, therefore no attempt should be made by the user to free it. This contrasts, for example, with X library routines.

Also note that certain other calls to the API, notably $xt_joblist$, with the same fd, may reuse the space, so the contents should be copied if required before other API calls are made.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to list all printers

6.3.2 xt ptrread

The xt_ptrread function is used to retrieve the details of a printer from a given slot number.

Fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

 ${\tt Flags}$ is zero, or a bitwise OR of one of the following values

```
Ignore remote printers/hosts (from the point of view of the server, not the client).
```

XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ Ignore changes since the list was last read

slot is the slot number corresponding to the printer as previously returned by a call to $xt_ptrlist$ or $xt_ptrlindslot$.

ptrd is a descriptor, which on return will contain the details of the printer in a struct apispptr as defined in xtapi.h and containing the following elements:

Туре	Field	Description
jobno_t	apispp_job	Job number being printed
slotno_t	apispp_jslot	Slot number of job being printed
char	apispp_state	State of printer
char	apispp_sflags	Scheduler flags
unsigned char	apispp_dflags	Despooler flags
unsigned char	apispp_netflags	Network flags
unsigned short	apispp_extrn	External printer type 0=standard
classcode_t	apispp_class	Class code bits 1=A 2=B 4=C etc
int_pid_t	apispp_pid	Process id of despooler process
netid_t	apispp_neti d	Host id of printer network byte order
slotno_t	apispp_rslot	Slot number on remote machine
unsigned long	apispp_minsize	Minimum size of acceptable job
unsigned long	apispp_maxsize	Maximum size of acceptable job
char []	apispp_dev	Device name
char []	apispp_form	Form type
char []	apispp_ptr	Printer name
char []	apispp_feedback	Feedback message
char []	apispp_comment	Printer description

The following bits are set in the apispp_sflags field to indicate printer flags:

Bit (#define) Meaning

 ${\tt APISPP_INTER}\,$ Had interrupt message, not yet acted on it.

APISPP_HEOJ Had halt at end of job

The following bits are set in the apispp_dflags field to indicate printer flags:

Bit (#define)	Meaning	
APISPP_HADAB	Had "Abort" message	
APISPP REOALIGN	Alianment required	

The apispp_netflags field contains the following bits:

Bit (#define) Meaning

```
APISPP_LOCALONLY Printer is local only to host.

APISPP_LOCALHOST Printer uses network filter
```

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to read the names of all printers

6.3.3 xt_ptrfind

The xt_ptrfind and xt_ptrfindslot functions may be used to find a printer from a given printer name rather than by the slot number. xt_ptrfind retrieves the printer description, xt_ptrfindslot just retrieves the slot number.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY to ignore remote printers/hosts, (from the point of view of the server, not the client).

name is the printer name to be searched for.

nid is the network-byte order IP address of the host of the machine whose printer is to be searched for. This should be correct even if XTAPI_FLAG_LOCALONLY is specified.

slot is a pointer to a location in which the slot number of the printer is placed if the search is successful. It may be NULL if this is not required (but this would be almost pointless for xt_ptrfindslot).

ptrd is a pointer to a field to contain the printer name as defined in xtapi.h.

The fields in struct apispptr are defined in the xt_ptrread documentation on page 27.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

NB If two or more printers on the same host have the same name, then it is not defined which is returned by xt_ptrfind and xt_ptrfindslot. In such cases, the whole printer list should be read and the correct one selected.

6.3.4 xt_ptradd

The function xt_ptradd is used to install a printer.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open.

ptrd is a struct apispptr describing the details of the printer. It is defined in the file xtapi.h and as described in the xt_ptrread documentation on page 27.

Only values for the name, device, formtype, description, local flag, the minimum and maximum job sizes, the network filter flag and the class code are accepted. All other parameters are ignored. We suggest that you clear all fields to zero before starting. Future releases with additional fields will be guaranteed to default to the existing behaviour if the additional fields are set to zero.

xt_ptradd returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to add a printer called hplj1 on device /dev/tty12 with form type a4.

```
}
xt_close(fd);
```

6.3.5 xt_ptrdel

The function xt_ptrdel is used to delete or "uninstall" a printer. Note that the definition of the printer, setup files and similar in the printers directory on the server, by default /usr/spool/printers, is not altered, the printer is only removed from the online list.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or similar routines.

Flags is either zero, or XTAPI FLAG IGNORESEQ to ignore changes since the list was last read.

slot is the slot number corresponding to the printer as previously returned by xt_ptrlist or xt_ptrfindslot.

xt_ptradd returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to delete all printers:

6.3.6 xt_ptrupd

The xt_ptrupd function is used to update the details of a printer.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open.

flags is zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ to ignore changes since the list was last read.

slot is the slot number corresponding to the printer as previously returned by xt_ptrlist or xt_ptrfindslot.

ptrd is a descriptor containing the printer descriptor as defined in xtapi.h.

The fields in struct apispptr are defined in the xt_ptrread documentation on page 27.

Note that we recommend that the whole structure be first read in with xt_ptrread or xt_ptrfind and then required fields updaated; this approach will cover any future extensions with additional fields.

Only changes to the name device, description, form type, local flag, the minimun and maximum job sizes, the network filter flag and the class code are accepted, and none at all if the printer is running.

The function returns 0 if successful otherwise one of the error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to change the form type on printer hpljl.

6.3.7 xt ptrop

The xt_ptrop function is used to perform an operation on a printer.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

flags is zero, or XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ to ignore changes since the list was last read.

slot is the slot number corresponding to the printer as previously returned by a call to $xt_ptrlist$ or $xt_ptrlist$ or.

op is one of the following values:

Operation code PRINOP_RSP Restart printer PRINOP_PHLT Halt printer at the end of the current job PRINOP_PSTP Halt printer at once PRINOP_PGO Start printer PRINOP_OYES Approve alignment page PRINOP_INTER Interrupt printer

The function returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

PRINOP PJAB Abort current job on printer

An example to halt all printers:

6.3.8 xt_ptrmon

```
int xt_ptrmon(const int fd,
```

```
void (*fn)(const int))
```

NB that this routine is not available in the Windows version, please see the section on xt_setmon in section 25 which covers both jobs and printers.

The xt_ptrmon function is used to set the function fn to be called upon notification of any changes to the printers list.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt open or the equivalent routines.

fn is a function which must be declared as returning void and taking one const int argument. Alternatively, this may be NULL to cancel monitoring.

The function fn will be called with fd as an argument upon each change to the printer list.

Please note that any changes to the printer list is reported as the API does not record which printers the user is interested in.

The function xt_ptrmon returns 0 if successful otherwise the error code $xtapi_invalid_fr$ if the file descriptor is invalid. Invalid fr parameters will not be detected and the application program will probably crash.

6.4 User permissions

The following routines access user permissions (in most cases the user will need to have write administration file privilege).

6.4.1 xt_getspu

The function xt_getspu is used to retrieve the defaults for a particular user. Unless the calling user has *Write Administration File* privilege, the user name must be the calling user.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or an equivalent routine.

user is a pointer to the username of the user details being retrieved.

res is a descriptor, which upon return will contain the details of user. The structure apispdet is defined in the file xtapi.h, and contains the following fields:

Туре	Field	Description
unsigned char	spu_isvalid	Valid user ID
char []	spu_resvd1	Reserved
int_ugid_t	spu_user	User ID
unsigned char	spu_minp	Minimum priority
unsigned char	spu_maxp	Maximum priority
unsigned char	spu_defp	Default priority
char []	spu_form	Default form type
char []	spu_formallow	Allowed form type pattern
char []	spu_ptr	Default printer
char []	spu_ptrallow	Allowed printer pattern
unsigned long	spu_flgs	Privilege flag
classcode_t	spu_class	Class of printers
unsigned char	spu_cps	Maximum copies allowed
unsigned char	spu_version	Release of Xi-Text

The spu_flgs field of res will contain a combination of the following:

PV_ADMIN	Administrator (edit admin file)
PV_MASQ	Masquerade as other users
PV_SSTOP	Can run sstop (can stop scheduler)
PV_FORMS	Can use other forms than default
PV_CPRIO	Can change priority on queue
PV_OTHERJ	Can change other users' jobs
PV_PRINQ	Can move to printer queue
PV_HALTGO	Can halt, restart printer
PV_ANYPRIO	Can set any priority on queue
PV_CDEFLT	Can change own default priority
PV_ADDDEL	Can add/delete printers
PV_COVER	Can override class
PV_UNQUEUE	Can unqueue jobs
PV_VOTHERJ	Can view other jobs not neccesarily edit
PV_REMOTEJ	Can access remote jobs
PV_REMOTEP	Can access remote printers
PV_FREEZEOK	Can save default options
PV_ACCESSOK	Can access sub-screens
PV_OTHERP	Can use other printers from default
ALLPRIVS	A combination of all of the above

The function returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to view the privileges of user mark:

6.4.2 xt_getspd

The xt_getspd function is used to retrieve the defaults privileges, form types etc for new users on the host with which the API is communicating. No particular privilege is required to perform this operation.

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open or the equivalent routines.

res is a descriptor which upon return will contain the the default user privileges. The structure apisphdr is defined in xtapi.h and contains the following elements:

Туре	Field	Description
long	sph_lastp	Time last read password file
unsigned char	sph_minp	Minimum priority
unsigned char	sph_maxp	Maximum priority
unsigned char	sph_defp	Default priority
char []	sph_form	Default form type
char []	sph_formallow	Allowed form type pattern
char []	sph_ptr	Default printer
char []	sph_ptrallow	Allowed printer pattern
unsigned long	sph_flgs	Privilege flag
classcode_t	sph_class	Class of printers
unsigned char	sph_cps	Maximum copies allowed
unsigned char	sph_version	Release of Xi-Text

The spu_flgs field will contain a combination of the following:

```
PV_ADMIN
            Administrator (edit admin file)
PV_MASQ
            Masquerade as other users
            Can run sstop (can stop scheduler)
PV_SSTOP
PV FORMS
            Can use other forms than default
PV_CPRIO
            Can change priority on queue
PV OTHERJ
            Can change other users' jobs
PV_PRINQ
           Can move to printer queue
PV_HALTGO
            Can halt, restart printer
PV_ANYPRIO Can set any priority on queue
PV_CDEFLT
           Can change own default priority
PV_ADDDEL
            Can add/delete printers
           Can override class
PV COVER
PV_FREEZEOK Can save default options
PV_ACCESSOK Can access sub-screens
            Can use other printers from default
PV_OTHERP
            A combination of all of the above
ALLPRIVS
```

The function returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to view the default privileges on the host machine:

```
int fd, ret;
struct apisphdr res;

fd = xt_open("myhost", (char *) 0, 0);
if (fd < 0) { /* error handling */
    ...
}

ret = xt_getspd(fd, &res);
if (ret < 0) { /* error handling */
    ...
}

if (res.sph_flgs & PV_HALTGO)
    printf("users cannot stop and start printers\n");
printf("the default maximum priority is %s\n", res);
xt_close(fd);</pre>
```

6.4.3 xt_putspu

The xt_putspu function is used to set privileges for a user. The calling user must have *write administration file privilege*, or must be the same as the specified user and be only trying to change the default form type or priorities (with the appropriate privilege for that).

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt_open.

user is a pointer to the user name for which the details are being updated.

newp is a pointer to a structure containing the new user privileges.

The struct apispdet is defined int the file xtapi.h. The fields of the structure are as defined for xt_getspu on page 33.

he function returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to give a user permission to add and delete printers

6.4.4 xt putspd

The xt_putspd function is used to set the default user privileges on the local host.

Its parameters are as follows:

fd is a file descriptor previously returned by xt open.

res points to a structure which contains the privileges. The struct apisphdr is defined in the file xtapi.h as described for xt_getspd on page 35.

The function returns zero if successful, otherwise error codes as listed in chapter 3.

An example to give all users the permission to add and delete printers:

The default permissions now apply to every user not "different" in some way from the default. So if you change the default permissions, say to have a different default form type, the users who in some way differ from the default before will not be changed. You may want to run over all users and make appropriate adjustments.

Example API program

The following program is an example program to provide for an "alternative printer" to be activated when a machine running the main printer is or goes offline. The program runs on the "secondary" machine:

```
* altprin.c: created by John Collins.
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include "xtapi.h"
#include <unistd.h>
#include <netdb.h>
#include <string.h>
int had_prod;
netid_t prim_hostid, sec_hostid;
int xtfd;
   Routine to call when printer event occurs.
  Just set flag and let the main loop look at it
   when it is ready.
void prodder(const int fd)
   had_prod++;
void process (void)
```

```
* Say we want to know about events affecting printers.
   xt_ptrmon(xtfd, prodder);
gotpri:
   for (;;) {
       int nump, cnt, ret;
        slotno_t *slp;
       struct apispptr res;
        * Wait until something interesting happens to a printer.
         */
       pause();
        if (!had_prod) /* Huh??? */
           continue;
       had\_prod = 0;
        /*
         * Get list of printers "slot numbers" into "slp", number
        * into "nump".
         * We don't really need to do this on each loop if printer
         * slot numbers don't change too much, which they don't
        if (xt_ptrlist(xtfd, 0, &nump, &slp) < 0)</pre>
            exit(255);
         * Search list for primary printer.
         * If found, all is ok, and we go back to sleep.
         */
        for (cnt = 0; cnt < nump; cnt++) {</pre>
            if (xt_ptrread(xtfd,
                            XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ,
                            slp[cnt],
                            \&res) < 0)
                exit(254);
            if (res.apispp_netid != prim_hostid)
                continue;
            if (strcmp(res.apispp_ptr, primary_prin) == 0)
                goto gotpri;
        }
         * We didn't find primary printer, so we start up the
         * secondary printer. First find the thing.
         */
        for (cnt = 0; cnt < nump; cnt++) {</pre>
```

```
if (xt_ptrread(xtfd,
                              XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ,
                              slp[cnt],
                              \&res) < 0)
                 exit(254);
             if (res.apispp_netid != sec_hostid)
                 continue;
             if (strcmp(res.apispp_ptr, secondary_prin) == 0)
                goto gotsec;
         fprintf(stderr, "Cannot find secondary printer, %s\n", secondary_prin);
             exit(200);
         /*
          * Found secondary printer, print a warning message
          * if already running.
          */
gotsec:
         if (res.apispp_state >= API_PRPROC) {
            fprintf(stderr,
           "I think that the secondary printer is already running\n");
            exit(0);
         }
         * Tell the world, start it up, and exit
          */
         fprintf(stderr, "Activating secondary printer
                    %s:%s\n", secondary, secondary_prin);
        if ((ret = xt_ptrop(xtfd, XTAPI_FLAG_IGNORESEQ, slp[cnt], PRINOP_PGO))
< 0) {
            printf("Error starting printer - %d\n", ret);
            exit(0);
         }
int main(int argc, char **argv)
    extern intoptind;
    extern char *optarg;
    int ch;
    struct hostent*hp;
    char
               *cp;
     static char myname[256];
     * Get "my" host name.
    myname[sizeof(myname) - 1] = ' \setminus 0';
     gethostname(myname, sizeof(myname) - 1);
```

```
if (!(hp = gethostbyname(myname))) {
   fprintf(stderr, "Who am I???\n");
   return 10;
}
 * Get arguments giving primary and secondary printers.
while ((ch = getopt(argc, argv, "p:s:")) != EOF) {
    switch (ch) {
    default:
        fprintf(stderr,
            "Usage: altprin -p primary -s secondary\n");
        return 1;
    case 'p':
        primary = optarg;
       break;
    case 's':
        secondary = optarg;
        break;
    }
}
if (!primary)
   fprintf(stderr, "No primary host:printer name given\n");
   return 2;
if (!secondary) {
   fprintf(stderr, "No secondary host:printer name given\n");
   return 3;
}
 * Split host:printer names into separate strings.
 * If not host name, tack on "my" name.
 */
if (cp = strchr(primary, ':')) {
   *cp = ' \setminus 0';
   primary_prin = cp+1;
else {
   primary_prin = primary;
   primary = myname;
   fprintf(stderr, "Primary printer on local host?\n");
if (cp = strchr(secondary, ':')) {
   *cp = ' \setminus 0';
   secondary_prin = cp+1;
else {
   secondary_prin = secondary;
    secondary = myname;
```

```
}
if (strcmp(primary, secondary) == 0) {
   fprintf(stderr, "Sorry both printers on the same host\n");
   return 4;
}
* Get host ids, used in scanning printer list.
if (!(hp = gethostbyname(primary))) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Sorry, unknown primary host name %s\n",
                   primary);
   return 5;
}
else
   prim_hostid = *(netid_t *) hp->h_addr;
if (!(hp = gethostbyname(secondary))) {
   fprintf(stderr, "Sorry, unknown secondary host name %s\n",
           secondary);
   return 6;
else
   sec_hostid = *(netid_t *) hp->h_addr;
/*
* Open API link.
if ((xtfd = xt_open(secondary, (char *) 0, 0)) < 0)
   fprintf(stderr,
        "Sorry, cannot open connection to secondary host\n");
   return 7;
}
 * Fork off to leave a daemon process.
 * (You might want to set process group, ignore
 * signals and/or reconnect
 * stdout/stderr).
 */
 if (fork() != 0)
    return 0;
 * Do the business (no return).
process();
```